

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 370

By Phillips

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mrs. Janice Hastings on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Janice Hastings is one such estimable person who has served with probity for 50 years with the city of Fayetteville, as an administrative assistant; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Fayetteville, Mrs. Hastings exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, during her fifty years of service with the City of Fayetteville, Mrs. Hastings has witnessed many changes, including that of increased technology, Rules and Regulations, Codes, the Fair Labor Standards Act, and Child Labor laws. One of the most significant changes, according to Mrs. Hastings, was "when the city changed its charter from a city clerk to a city administrator-form of government in 1985" noting that it was the best thing the city ever accomplished; and

WHEREAS, she has logged many hours during her tenure, reconciling accounts, running payroll checks, researching investment opportunities, and "basically doing whatever was needed," and

WHEREAS, Janice Hastings, while still in high school, was introduced to working with payroll accounts by her father, Ed Payne; he taught her how to write "tax books"; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hastings was later employed with the city part-time, making \$5 a day ;
and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hastings' father served as the City Clerk from 1947-71, and her grandfather, Neely Archer, was employed as the County Trustee from 1934-45; her December, 1999, retirement marked the first time in three generations that a member of Mrs. Hastings' family has not served in local government; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Janice Hastings has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their potential, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her peers and superiors, exemplified by her fifteen year friendship with the Fayetteville City Administrator, Lynn Wampler; and

WHEREAS, wholly dedicated to her family, Mrs. Hastings is most fortunate to share the loving companionship of her husband of 22 years; and

WHEREAS, she is the proud mother of five sons: Joel Hastings, Bob Maddox, Steve Maddox, Lee Maddox and the late Tem Maddox, and the doting grandmother of Thomas and Grace Hastings; and

WHEREAS, an avid UT fan, Mrs. Hastings' retirement plans include working on the family farm, travelling with her husband, playing bridge, and spending quality time with her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly wishes to recognize Mrs. Hastings for her exemplary career with the City of Fayetteville and her personification of the ideal public servant; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we extend to Mrs. Janice Hastings our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.